ADSA SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES January 9, 2008

Present: Jonette Reyes (Hoh), Liz Mueller (Jamestown S'Klallam), Rosi Francis (Lower Elwha Klallam), Janeen Comenote, Kimberly Chabot, Brendt Apt, Bill Moss, Colleen Cawston, Garnet Charles (Brendt introduced Kimberly as the Liaison for the State Unit on Aging.)

NICOA Elders Conference Update. The local area planning committee meets every 4th Thursday of each month. There are conference call capabilities. Letters went to the Tribes in early December. The amount of money needed is \$338,000. Muckleshoot has donated \$100,000 to pay for the use of the convention center and Puyallup has donated \$50,000 to be used for the potlatch expenses. Haven't heard back from Verizon and AARP as to whether they will sponsor the Breakfast Prayer. Jonette suggested contacting Nike. Colleen said that had already been done. Sharon Hamilton-Curley is the lead for the Potlatch to be held at Chief Leishei. This will include a traditional dinner. Tribes can donate: Quinault has donated salmon. The Veterans will be recognized and used for the Color Guard. Sunday activities will include a fun walk, cultural activities, Puyallup Fair (hopefully with a Sr. discount), Mariners vs. Yankees Game beginning at \$17.00 per ticket. It is \$40.00 for the 100 zone. Some casinos have indicated that they will host an event at their facilities for Conference participants. Transportation to that event will be arranged by the Casinos.

<u>Tribes and AAA.</u> Bill Moss reported that the first meeting between the Tribes and AAA's went well. There were about 3-4 AAA directors present. These meetings will be held quarterly and coordinated through Colleen. Muckleshoot has volunteered to host the next meeting. Liz suggested that Dr. Yvonne Jackson, National Director of Aging and Adult Services be invited to attend the September 4th or 5th. Liz will call her. Liz asked about the issue between the Port Gamble and AAA's. This had to do with wanting the Tribes to waive their sovereign immunity for an \$8,000 contract for food services. Bill reported that after 18 months an agreement was finally reached. Liz asked that Bill get a copy of the contract out to all the other tribes as it might be applicable to them.

Burial Accounts and Copes. The amount allowed to be exempted is a Federal ruling that doesn't allow flexibility. It was suggested that IPAC draft letters to congressional delegates for the Tribe's use. Liz asked if the Tribes could be the account holder and give the money to the family after the death. Wouldn't that be an exempt resource? Bill will check on this.

<u>DDD Issues.</u> DDD gave the counties money to do supportive programs. Supportive employment will pay for job coaches and technical assistants. Brenda Matson is the new Program Manager. Counties meet every quarter. Jeanne sent out a survey to the Counties regarding Native American outreach efforts to 39 counties. Only 7 were

returned. Doug North and Jeanne will be meeting with all the counties regarding the 7.01 Plan on January 16^{th} .

<u>ADSA Matrix</u>. Discussion was held regarding the ADSA Matrix. The issue between Port Gamble and Kitsap County will be removed as it has been completed. Suggestions for rewording some of the items were made. Jeanne's project as reported above will be added.

Next meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for April 9th at 2:30 pm in OB2, Olympia.

Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm with the stipulation that the next meeting be held in a different room. This room SL04 was too hot all day.